

Cobb County Department of Transportation - Project Fact Sheet

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Walkable Communities Workshop attendees on Six Flags Drive in 2005

Six Flags Drive Sidewalk and Pedestrian Improvement Project

PROJECT DETAILS

- This project will add sidewalk on the south side of Six Flags Drive from Crestside Drive to I-20 and fill sidewalk gaps on the north side.
- A HAWK or High Intensity Activated Crosswalk will be added halfway between I-20 and Factory Shoals Road

PROJECT SCHEDULE

- The project will be let to construction in December 2011 with an anticipated project completion in fall 2012.

PROJECT COST

- Cobb County Department of Transportation applied for and was awarded a Federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) grant through the Georgia Department of Transportation
 - ◇ Federal \$800,000
 - ◇ Local \$200,000
 - ◇ Total \$1,000,000*

BACKGROUND: In 2005, Cobb County was one of five communities selected by the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) to host a *Walkable Communities Workshop* which focused on evaluating Six Flags Drive from Factory Shoals Road to Riverside Parkway.

Through this initiative, a diverse group of people including engineers, planners, elected officials, community residents and public safety professionals as well as representatives of various agencies and community organizations, were invited to take a closer look at pedestrian facilities, access, and mobility issues and concerns along the corridor. The workshop, which was well attended, involved detailed discussions on pedestrian mobility needs within the Six Flags Drive area followed by a walking tour of the corridor.

Many issues were identified during the Workshop, one of which was a determination that the **community needed improved pedestrian accommodations throughout the corridor**. Subsequently, Cobb County Department of Transportation applied for and was awarded a Federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) grant through the Georgia Department of Transportation for a sidewalk project along Six Flags Drive. The Six Flags Drive sidewalk and pedestrian improvement project is a direct result of stakeholder input during the Walkable Communities Workshop.

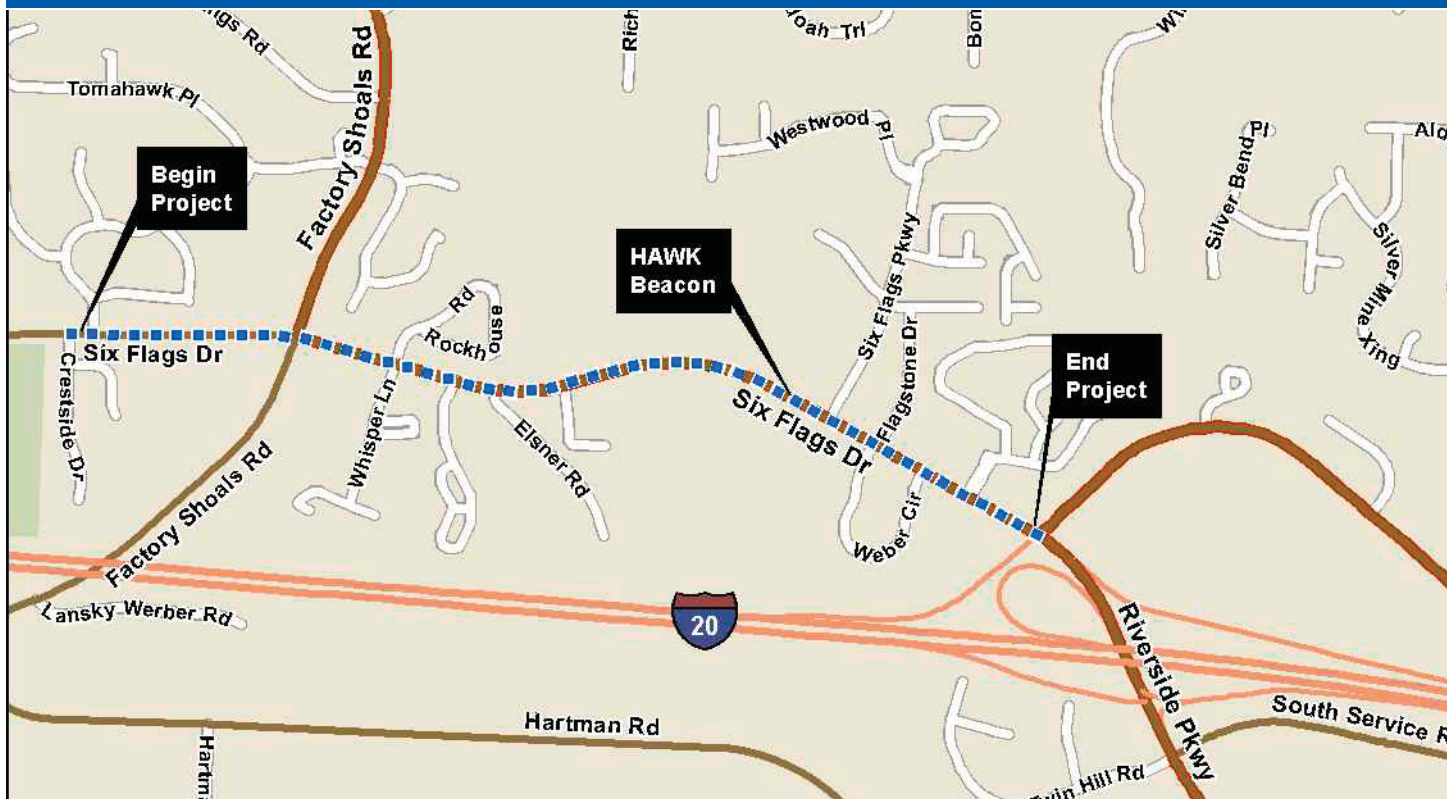


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*Federal funds provided through GDOT Federal TE Program and local funds provided by the County 2005 SPLOST Program.

Six Flags Drive project information and location map on reverse of flyer

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PROJECT INFORMATION: The proposed project will add sidewalk on the south side of Six Flags Drive from Crestside Drive (near the South Cobb Recreation Center) to the Interstate 20 westbound on-ramp. The project will also add two sections of sidewalk on the north side of Six Flags Drive to fill in existing gaps in the sidewalk. The new sidewalk will receive updated handicap ramps to be in compliance with current American with Disabilities (ADA) design guidelines.

- Project limits from Crestside Drive to I-20 westbound on-ramp
- 5475 ft of sidewalk will be added on the south side of Six Flags Drive
- Two sidewalk gaps (770 ft) will be filled in on the north side of Six Flags Drive
- One HAWK Beacon will be added
- As a result of the project there will be continuous sidewalk from the South Cobb Recreation Center west to Blair Bridge Road and east to I-20 on both sides of Six Flags Drive

HAWK BEACON: In addition to sidewalk, a High Intensity Activated Crosswalk or HAWK beacon will be added approximately half way between Interstate 20 and Factory Shoals Road (see Cobb County Department of Transportation's **HAWK Beacon Fact sheet** for more information).

SCHEDULE: The current let to construction date is December 2011 with an anticipated project completion in fall 2012.

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